

Brief History and Official Reports

OF THE

LAST POST

Imperial Naval and Military Contingency Fund

During its First Five Years of Existence to date

"Long may this work endure, and ne'er decay But be supported till the latest day, All loyal Subjects to the King and State Will say Amen, maugre all Spleen and Hate." (MARICHALLUS PETOWE).



"Lest we Forget"

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TRUSTEES 1914:

THE OFFICER COMMANDING 4TH DIVISION, MONTREAL
(COL. S. J. A. DENISON, C.M.G.)

THE RECTOR OF TRINITY CHURCH, MONTREAL
(REV. CANON J. M. ALMOND)

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HON. PRESIDENT—REV. CANON F. G. SCOTT, QUEBEC HON. LEGAL ADVISOR—LIEUT. COL. F. W. HIBBARD

EXECUTIVE 1914

PRESIDENT—REV. CANON J. M. ALMOND.

1ST VICE-PRES.—COMMANDER J. T. WALSH, R.N.R.

2ND VICE-PRES.—LT.-COL. C. E. A. PATTERSON.

SEC.-TREAS.—A. H. D. HAIR, 2519 ESPLANADE AVENUE, MONTREAL.

ASST. SEC.-TREAS.—G. C. KILPATRICK, ESQR.

RECORDING SECRETARY—F. THOM, ESQR.

Committee:-

W. H. ATHERTON, ESQR., PH.D. J. E. DUNKLEY, ESQR.
W. H. LEACH, ESQR.
CAPT. O. T. BEEMAN, R.E.

History of the Fund's Inception

One stormy night in the cold winter months of 1909. what was once a fine specimen of a man, was discovered lying in a comatose condition, in a doorway on St. George's Street, Montreal, by the Police and taken to a local Hospital for examination. A cursory observation diagnosed the case as "only a drunk!" and the stalwart representatives of the Law were about to drag him off to the waiting Patrol Waggon, when the skilled eye of an "M.D." who appreciated something of "man's inhumanity to man," made a second and careful examination and found it was a genuine case of cold, misery, and starvation. Two days subsequently (though he never regained consciousness) death ended some poor Mother's son's misery in this world, whose identification was established by an Army Discharge Parchment, proving that whatever his human failures were, he had at least served his country faithfully and well as a member of the 2nd Dragoon Guards in the British Army.

Efforts were made to find some local Military Organization that had the power and means to act as legal "next of kin" to give this unfortunate "Derelict" Christian burial and avoid abandonment to the Inspector of Anatomy.

No such organization existed except for those who had made provision for the "rainy day" by membership prior to death, and, consequently, the dissecting table was the only alternative. Surely an ignoble end for one who had offered his life in the Empire's Cause!

The local Press gave publicity to the case and called attention to the parsimoniousness of the Government in its failure to provide "six feet of the ground, such men had risked their lives for" when left without a place to lay their bones.

National sentiment and "Comraderie" aroused indignation in the breasts of some who had shared the "ups and downs" of the Soldier's career and an effort to establish a means of preventing the recurrence of such a case, was the result. The support and cordial co-operation of other local Military and Patriotic Associations was sought and obtained, and on April 19th, 1909, the inaugural Meeting was held under Vice-Regal Patronage with a view to obtaining Incorporation, the drafting of a Constitution and By-Laws, and the petitioning of the Provincial Legislature for special powers under the "Anatomy Act" to legally act as "next of kin" to any deceased Soldier or Sailor who might die in destitute circumstances within the Province of Quebec, and require burial.

While confining itself to its primary object (Obitual) this Organization's titular incorporation papers were drafted in such a way as to permit of dealing with other "Contingencies" should it be found necessary and advisable. Furthermore, provision is made for dealing with members of both the Army and Navy, and the organization is absolutely undenominational in religious character.

The source of revenue for maintenance is obtained principally from voluntary contribution. Recently an annual and life membership has been established, which the Executive is anxious to increase as a somewhat certain source of revenue. Membership is open to both sexes, and application forms may be had from the Secretary-Treasurer.

Original Trustees and Executive Committee, 1909.

Under the Vice-Regal Patronage of His Excellency Earl Grey, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., P.C.

Trustees.

Brig.-Gen. L. Buchan, C.V.O., C.M.G., A.D.C. Rev. J. Macpherson Almond, M.A. Commander J. T. Walsh, R.N.R.

Executive Committee.

President—Rev. J. M. Almond, M.A. Treasurer—Lucien C. Vallee. Organizing Secretary—A. H. D. Hair.

Members.

Mrs. R. Hemsley.
Miss Borthwick.
Mr. W. H. Marsh.
Mr. Alexander Mackay.

THANKS

Characteristic of his generosity in any worthy cause, it is only fair to mention that Sir Montagu Allan, Kt. C.V.O., gave the first subscription that enabled the Executive to commence this Patriotic work, the subjoined reports of which are evidence of its worthiness.

During the past five years our thanks are also due T. J. Drummond, Esq., and Colonel (The Hon.) S. Hughes, for obsolete Cannon and round shot, to place on the corners of our Cemetery Plots.

For subscriptions and contributions, we thank the Public generally and the following Regiments and Associations especially:—

Lt.-Col. J. Carson and Officers Commanding Units, Craig Street Drill Hall.

5th Royal Highlanders of Canada.

3rd Victoria Rifles of Canada.

The Montreal Heavy Brigade Artillery.

4th Field Company C.E.

4th Section C.A.P.C. (Canadian Army Pay Corps).

The British Army & Navy Veteran's Association.

The Imperial Daughters of the Empire.

The S.O.E.B. Association (Sons of England Benefit Association).

The Literary & Dramatic Club of Trinity Church.

The Wardens of Trinity Church (Anglican).

The Wardens of St. Paul's Church (Presbyterian).

The Wardens of St. Andrew's Church (Presbyterian).

OUR PRIMARY AIM

To acquire the following in addition to meeting the ad interim necessities:

A certain number of graves that have been reserved for purchase by us, through the goodness of the Management of both Cemetery Companies, without interest, but with the right to force a three-months option of purchase should the ground be required.

An appropriate monument on each of the Plots, on which to inscribe the names of those who lie beneath.

The approximate amount of our objective being \$4,000.

WILL YOU HELP US?

To obtain the foregoing and be in a position to cope with any Patriotic "contingency" that warrants our personal or financial assistance in the furtherance of the "Brotherhood of man" and our National duty.

EQUALLY IMPORTANT NEEDS

We need your personal sympathy and co-operation as well as your financial support, to form an "endless chain" in casual exhortation of your friends to help a good cause.

A. H. D. HAIR.
Organizing Secretary.

Montreal, April 15th, 1914.

Fifth Annual Report

To the Trustees and Members,

Last Post Imperial Naval and Military Contingency Fund.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—During the year just ended, 1913, the fifth of our existence as an Association, nothing that might be termed extraordinary to the routine work of this Fund has occurred.

Possibly, the matter of most importance to the future of the Association is the action you may feel disposed to take in regard to the "Contingency object" or extension work—its latitude and method of application in the future if continued, or the advisability of its expurgency from our Letters of Incorporation.

May I suggest, that any action on our part that would tend to make the "Contingency" object of this Fund "hidebound" would be exceedingly detrimental to our future success.

I feel quite justified in saying that, the work of this Fund during the past five years has told on the Public appreciation, and we have favorably impressed the local Military men, in spite of a certain air of apathy at the outset.

This favorable impression was demonstrated recently by the generous subscription of \$300.00 from the Officers Commanding Units in the Craig Street Drill Hall—being part of the rental obtained by them from the promoters of the Automobile Show. The 5th Royal Highlanders, the Victoria Rifles, and the 85th Regiment, have also generously contributed during the year.

The Annual Membership, with a fee of \$1.00 a year, established at our last Annual Meeting, has not been worked up at all yet, but will eventually prove a source of revenue and "new blood," if the existing members will do a little soliciting and incidently bear in mind in canvassing new members that individuality should take precedence over numbers.

It affords me much pleasure to advise you that during the year, we have added eight worthy members to our roll; though I see no reason, why with very little effort, we should not add as many hundreds. I regret to advise you that the "Card scheme" organized to raise the necessary sum to purchase the option we have on ground in the respective Cemeteries, has not met to date with the success that we anticipated, though the returns obtained, indicate that the failure may be due to weak organization, rather than to public apathy towards the Cause.

It was felt this year it would be in the Fund's best interest, to have the Accounts Audited (extending over the full period of the Fund's existence) by a Chartered Accountant, and a printed copy of the Annual Reports and Financial Statement sent to all who have subscribed or

have become in any way interested in our work.

I am advised that the restitutional work resulting from our representations at Ottawa, subsequent to the desceration of the old Military Cemetery on Papineau Avenue, will be completed in the early Spring, and in that connection I might mention that there still remains a matter worthy of attention—I refer to the inscription plates that have been broken, or have fallen away, from the Monument to General D'Urban.

In view of our success in the past regarding this old landmark, I would respectfully suggest that this Association take some further action to bring this historical spot more before the public gaze in the future, and to this end an effort be made to hold a restitutional ceremony on the completion of the work now under way, in which all local Military and Patriotic Associations be invited to take part.

In concluding this fifth Annual Report of our work, I desire to take this opportunity of tendering my sincere thanks for the confidence all connected with the Fund have

shown in me as your Secretary-Treasurer.

It has been a work of great pleasure to me, and I have been encouraged in my efforts by the faithful attendance at our meetings of gentlemen whose time is too valuable, and residence too far distant to attend, were they not convinced that we are doing a work worthy of some personal sacrifice and effort on their part.

The whole respectfully submitted.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully yours,

ARTHUR H. D. HAIR, Hon. Sec.-Treas.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTION

Action was taken at this Annual Meeting relative to the "Contingency" aspect of the Fund, in the following resolution, which was drafted by Dr. W. H. Atherton:—

RESOLVED—That in view of the words "Contingency Fund" occurring in the official title of the "Last Post, Imperial Naval & Military Contingency Fund," these words are to be interpreted to cover all such Charitable Contingencies as shall be approved by a Committee of this Organization composed of a quorum of the existing Trustees and Executive Officers of the Fund, who must be called in special session to deal with the contingency of the moment, and shall not be merely confined to the special Obitual Contingency arising from the burial of a deceased Soldier or Sailor who has served under the Colors, and who has died in necessitous circumstances.

Carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

To the Trustees and Members, Last Post Fund.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—In submitting the Financial Statement for the fifth year of our existence, of which it has been deemed adviseable to have a Chartered Accountant's Audit for the past five years; it affords me much pleasure to advise you that from a financial viewpoint, the year just ended, has been the best year yet, due in most part to the generous donation of \$300.00 from the Officers Commanding Units of Militia in the Craig Street Drill Hall. The following supplementary Statement will no doubt be of interest:—

In 1910—Receipts in excess of Disbursements	\$150.02	
ceipts	48.89	\$ 57.61
ments	40.09	12.56
" 1914—Receipts in excess of Disbursements	359.38	488.12
Present cash in hand	\$558.29	

While the cash balance on hand at the moment is encouraging, the immediate and future necessities are such, as not in any way to warrant relaxation of the strenuous efforts of your Executive exerted in the past to obtain our ideal—namely, the possession of the ground reserved in the two Cemeteries under option, and finally the erection of suitable Memorials on both—which means the realization of approximately \$4,000.00.

This, in view of the success of the past, should not be an impossibility in the future.

The whole respectfully submitted.

ARTHUR H. D. HAIR, Hon. Sec.-Treas.

"LAST POST" Imperial Naval and Military Contingency Fund.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTS FROM 1910.

Year ending March 31st, 1910.

Receipts. Contributions from the Public \$211.25 Military Units 63.85	Disbursements. Postage\$ 10.08 Express, typewriting, carfare, etc 9.65
B. A. & N. V. Association	Office necessities, Books, Cuts, etc 90.28 Printing 70.36 Incorporation fees 15.00
Estate Walters 97.99 Collection Boxes 1.35 Interest on Deposits 97 Other Revenues	Hospital charges 3.00 Funerals and Notices 109.10 Total
\$457.49 Assets.	Liabilities. \$457.49
Cash in Bank\$150.02 Office Books, Electros, Stamps, Boxes, Flag, etc	Late W. Walter's Es- tate
\$223.00	\$223.00
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Year ending March 31st, 1912.

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Receipts. Cash Balance forward March 31st, 1911\$ 92.41 Collection Boxes	Disbursements. Collection Boxes. \$.75 Entertainments. 21.69 "In Trust" for "C.P.F." 150.00 Interest 16.56 Funerals 116.27 Sundry Disbursements. 53.32 Association Badges. 27.00 Balance of Loan. 200.00 Commission and Discount Charges. .36 Printing and Stationery 54.75 Total. \$640.70 Balance in Bank 141.30 \$782.00				
Assets.	Liabilities.				
Cemetery Plots \$400.00 Inventory of Books, Dies, Stationery, etc 150.00 Cash in Bank 141.30	By Surplus of Assets\$691.30				
\$691.30	\$691.30				
Year ending Ma	arch 31st, 1913.				
Receipts.	Disbursements.				
Memorial Fund	Funerals \$269.20 Late R. Pilling 35.55 Deputation to Ottawa 33.35 Sundry Disbursements 53.88 Printing and Stationery 61.25 Publications 2.00 Contingencies 50.45				
\$493.12 Cash in Bank March 31st, 1912 141.30	\$505.68 Cash in Bank March 31st, 1913 128.74				
### Assets. Cemetery Plots\$400.00 Inventory of Office175.00 Equipment23.00 Bills Receivable from Loan128.74	*634.42 *Liabilities. Memorial Fund\$151.00 Surplus of Assets 575.74				
Cash in Bank	\$726.74				

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended March 31st, 1914.

Receipts.

Subscriptions:	
Personal	
Boxes	
	\$511.73
Annual Fees	8.00
Loans—repaid	17.00
Association Insignia	1.00
Bank Interest	4.22
	\$541.95
Disbursements.	
Funerals	\$ 71.50
Funerals Burial Plots	12.20
Memorial Fund	30.00
Loans	5.00
Printing and Stationery	15.00
Office Furniture	35.00
Sundry Expenses	13.87
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Balance.	
In Bank—March 31st, 1914 \$478.12	
Cash on Hand—March 31st, 1914 10.00	
\$488.12	
In Bank—March 31st, 1913 128.74	
	ф950 90
Excess of Receipts over Expenditure	
	\$541.95

Audited and verified subject to our report dated April 23rd, 1914.

Montreal, 28th April, 1914.

G. DURNFORD & COMPANY, LIMITED, Per G. DURNFORD, C.A.

N.B.—Relative to the foregoing Financial Report, authority was given and cheques signed at this Meeting to appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to purchase twenty more graves immediately, thus reducing the present Bank Balance to \$88.12.

BALANCE SHEET

-as at March 31st, 1914.

Assets.

Cash—In Bank	\$488.12
Office Furniture, Stationery, etc	50.00
Loans—	
Thos. Conroy	11.00
Cemetery Plots	400.00
	\$949.12
Liabilities.	
Memorial Fund—	
Amount appropriated from this fund for General Purposes \$151.00	
Less— Paid on account of Fund 30.00	
Surplus of Assets over Liabilities	\$121.00 828.12
	\$949.12

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Messrs. Trustees, Executive and Members
"Last Post" I. N. & M. Contingency Fund,
Montreal.

Gentlemen:---

In accordance with your Mr. Hair's instructions, we have completed the audit of your books for the year ended 31st March, 1915, and now report as follows:—

All disbursements have been supported by proper vouchers and all receipts banked. We have checked the receipt stubs issued for subscriptions.

We enclose the following certified statements:—

- 1. Cash Receipts and Disbursements for year ended 31st March, 1915.
- 2. Balance Sheet of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March, 1915.

Yours faithfully,

G. DURNFORD & COMPANY, LTD. Per G. DURNFORD, C.A.

"LAST POST" I. N. & M. Contingency Fund. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended 31st March, 1915.

Receipts.	
Subscriptions: Personal \$270.32 Boxes 8.64	\$ 278.96
Fees: Annual. 9.00 Life. 20.00	
Memorial Fund	\$ 29.00 2.00 6.49 672.04
Cash on hand and in Bank 31st March, 1914\$ 488.12 Cash on hand and in Bank 31st March, 1915	\$ 261.35
•	\$1,249.84
Disbursements.	
Burial Plots	\$ 400.00 5.00
Printing and Stationery—Circulars, etc Sundry Expenses Museum Benefit—Account of Canadian Patriotic Fund—Collections, handed	25.00 117.00 30.80
to fund	672.04
	\$1,249.84
Audited and verified—subject to our report dated 16th April. 1915. Montreal, 16th April, 1915. G. DURNFORD & COMPANY, LIM	IITED,

Per G. DURNFORD, C.A.

"LAST POST" I. N. & M. Contingency Fund.

BALANCE SHEET

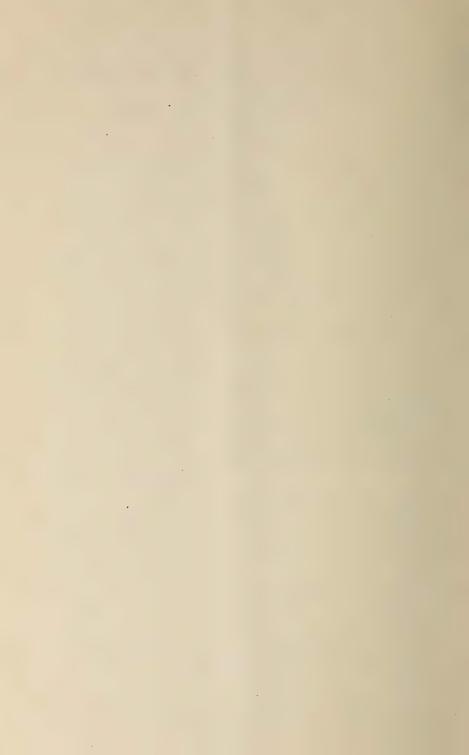
as at 31st March, 1915.

Assets

Cash—In BankOn hand	\$226 47 30	
Inventory Office Furniture, Stationery, etc		\$ 226 77 50 00
Thos Conroy, 4th November, 1912. J Thompson, 26th December, 1913. W Laurie, 15th February, 1915	6 oo 5 oo 5.oo	
Cemetery Plots		16.00
	-	\$1,092.77
Liabilities.		
w *m + 4	151.00	
Amount collected to 31st March,	\$121.00	
Surplus—of Assets over Liabilities		123.00 969.77
	Ş	1,092.77
Audited and verified—subject to our report dated 16th April, 1915.		

Montreal, 16th April, 1915.

G. DURNFORD & COMPANY, LIMITED,
Per G. DURNFORD, C.A.



RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Trustees and Members,

The "Last Post" Imperial Naval and Military Contingency Fund.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I beg to submit herewith a record of the cases dealt with during the period of this Association's existence as follows:—

There have been 37 cases, in all, to the 31st of March, 1914, of which 36 were Soldiers and one Sailor. Dealt with by years, they were as follows:—

1910.—10 Cases.

7 Protestants.

3 Roman Catholics.

1911.—11 Cases.

9 Protestants.

2 Roman Catholics.

1912.— 7 Cases.

5 Protestants.

2 Roman Catholics.

1913.— 9 Cases.

8 Protestants.

1 Roman Catholic.

1914.—Just commenced.

Five were Canadian born, British subjects, and thirtyone British born. Sixteen were buried by special request in our Plots. Three were buried, under the supervision of this Fund, in family graves. Owing to the circumstances of death, one necessitated burial in unconsecrated ground, but registration of the number and position of the grave has been made. The Funeral expenses have been partly or wholly defrayed by friends or relatives in 16 cases, and the balance of 21 have been wholly defrayed by this Fund. One man remains totally unidentified, as far as relatives are concerned. Those buried in our Plots have seen service in the following Campaigns:—

South Africa (1900-1-2). Crimea (1854-5). New Zealand (1867-71). Egypt (both Campaigns) (1882-3-1898). Fenian Raid—Canada (1867-1870). Afghanistan (1878-80). Indian Frontier (1885-90). Burmah (1885).

And have seen service in the following Regiments:-

Imp. Light Horse (Irreg.) 2nd W. Yorkshire Regt. 1st Scottish Horse (Irreg.) 3rd Rifle Brigade. Royal Canadian Regt. 5th Royal Highlanders Canada. South African Constabulary. Royal Artillery (Heavy). Royal Field Artillery. Brabant's Horse (Irreg.) Hampshire Militia. 68th Foot (Brit.) 1st Kings Dragoon Guards. Royal Navy. 2nd Dragoon Guards. Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. Royal Welsh Regt. South African Light Horse

(Irreg.)

2nd South Wales Borderers. 4th Royal Irish Dragoons. 15th Hussars. 1st P.W.O.R. (Can.—Now 1st Grenadier Guards). Grenadier Guards (Brit.) 2nd Yorkshire Regt. 2nd Yorkshire Regt. Royal Engineers. 85th Regt. (Can.) South Lancashire Regt. Prince of Wales' Light Horse (Irreg.) Army Service Corps (Can.) East Lancashire Regt. Gov. Gen. Foot Guards (Can.) 21st Lancers. 2nd Duke of Cornwall's L. Inf. 1st Gloucester Regt. 77th Foot (Brit.)

By virtue of power granted this Association in the Anatomy Act (Revised Statutes, Article 4884) of the Province of Quebec, we were enabled to intervene on behalf of Relatives in one case where, owing to poverty, they were compelled to abandon the Body to the Inspector of Anatomy.

In two cases where Widows and Orphans were left destitute, this Association was the means of obtaining relief for them from other Associations, and action is now being taken by your Executive, with the possibility of success, to obtain a "Compassionate Grant" for a third from the the War Office. Special note of the foregoing cases is made in view of the fact that they were legitimate and deserving ones, which but for the persistent effort and pressure that this Association was able to bring to bear on the highest Canadian Authorities and the War Office, would have gone unheeded. Those who have benefited have expressed their gratitude in the highest terms, and many letters of gratitude (and in some cases, donations) from relatives and friends in distant lands have been received, which could not fail to excite the pathos of the hardest Materialist.

During the past year, cement foundations have been put under the Guns on the Cemetery Plots placed there at our request by the Militia Authorities, in 1912, and the Ordnance has been painted.

Owing to lack of means, we have not yet been able to erect the proposed Monuments on the respective Plots.

The whole respectfully submitted.

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